**Telephones in the Country**

803. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of telephones in the country;

(b) how many of them are in Metropolitan cities as well as state capitals; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Total No. of Telephone connections working in the country as on 31.1.94 is 7321934.

(b) Telephone connections working in 4 metro cities and state capitals are 2919812.

(c) Detail is given below:—

| Metropolitan Cities & State Capitals | DELs State as on 31.1.94 |
|---|---|
| 1 | 2 3 |
| Bombay | 943519 |
| Calcutta | 315830 |
| Delhi | 732707 |
| Madras | 223011 |
| Banglore | 166411 |
| Jaipur | 57376 |
| Hyderabad | 159907 |
| Bhopal | 42616 |
| Panjim | 5116 |
| Chandigarh | 42516 |
| Lucknow | 52162 |
| Patna | 53791 |
| Trivandrum | 52319 |
| Agartala | 3642 |
| Aizwal | 2519 |
| Bhubaneshwar | 14054 |
| Dispur | 4722 |
| Gandhinagar | 7168 |
| Gangtok | 1964 |
| Imphal | 5834 |
| Itanagar | 1007 |
| Kohima | 1429 |
| Shillong | 7693 |
| Shimla | 10516 |
| Srinagar | 11983 |
| TOTAL: | 2919812 |

**S.T.D. Facility at Kuteshwar**

804. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no S.T.D. facility at Kuteshwar R.M.D. Mines of SAIL in Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) S.T.D. facility at Kuteshwar is not provided due to non availability of stable transmission media between Kuteshwar to Katni (about 72 kms.). Provision of Over Head Carrier System is not technically feasible at present.

However, Kuteshwar is proposed to be linked with S.T.D. facility by the end of 8th plan after commissioning suitable transmission media.

**इलाहाबाद जनपद में टेलीफोन कनैक्शन**

805. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय:** क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) उत्तर प्रदेश के इलाहाबाद जनपद में 31 जनवरी, 1994 की स्थिति के अनुसार स्थायी टेलीफोन कनैक्शनों को प्राप्त करने के लिए आवेदन करने वाले व्यक्तियों की कुल संख्या कितनी है; और

(ख) उन सभी को कब तक टेलीफोन कनैक्शन उपलब्ध करवा दिए जाने की संभावना है?

**संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुखराम ):** (क) 31.1.1994 तक की स्थिति के अनुसार प्रतीक्षा सूची — 8245.

(ख) कनैक्शन, मार्च, 1996 तक उत्तरोत्तर रूप से प्रदान कर दिए जाएंगे, बशर्ते उपस्कर उपलब्ध हों।